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DETERMINING IF AN ELECTRONIC  
SIGNATURE IS NECESSARY IN  
ORDER TO COMMIT A  
TRANSACTION TO A DATABASE

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 25, 2007 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.